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Desolation of the Smaug

Renovations bring new layout, name to Kryzsko food court

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The Smaug Food Court in Kryzsko Commons went through a series of renovations while students were away this summer—from the Smaug, to ten-foot tall dirt piles, to Zane's. Now you can get your favorite burrito bowl and energy drink in the same one stop shop.

Renovations began after the end of Winona State University's school year last May. The Smaug was completely torn up all the way down to the dirt to address plumbing and electrical issues. A temporary wall to keep dirt and dust contained was put up, according to Director of Dining Services John Sinniger.

There are a few hurdles left before Zane's is completely done, Sinniger said. Dining Services must address signage and staffing issues, as well as fix a set of registers that are not working properly yet.

"It's a new area, new venues, it is fun times," Sinniger said, "It is a wow factor—a lot of 'Wow this looks nice' and that is our goal. We want to stay up to date and new. You don't want to stay tired [and] we want to improve whenever we can."

The new food court will include a Panda Express, which will be completed on Sept. 20, a café that serves Starbucks coffee and beverages and a pizza build at Mondo Subs, which is not finished due to pizza oven issues.



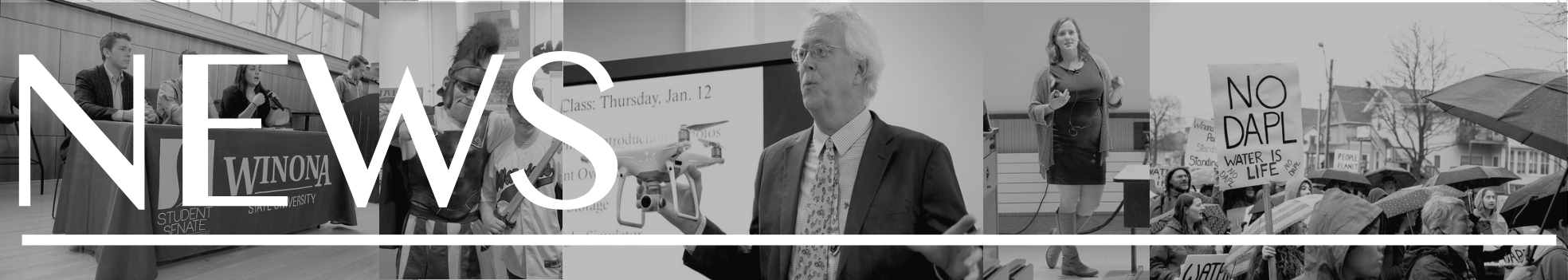
The entrance of the new food mart in Kryzsko Commons. The area, formerly known as The Smaug, was renamed Zane's.

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One major renovation involved tearing down Kafe Kryzsko to combine it with the new food court. The Kafe Kryzsko coolers and gondolas are now located in the middle of the food court where students can quickly grab everything they need and check out at one of the four registers stationed by the door.

Student Union Activities Director Joe Reed proposed to change the new food court's name to Zane's, after the late Charles 'Charlie' Zane.

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Pedestrian tunnels enter final stages of construction



The pedestrian tunnels are in their final stages of construction. Lisa Pearson, the arboretum director and interim director of facilities planning, hopes the tunnels will be finished before the winter begins.

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After more than 10 years of planning, the pedestrian tunnels at Winona State University are finally in the last stages of construction.

Scott Ellinghuysen, the vice president of finance and administration and the chief financial officer (CFO), said that the project of the pedestrian tunnels has been in the works for almost 15 years.

In 2005, Winona State received federal funding to build the new pedestrian tunnels. This

funding required an 80-20 match between the federal government and the university. To begin planning and building, Winona State had to have the money to pay for 20 percent of the tunnels, while the federal government covered the leftover 80 percent.

In 2007, the university began to purchase land and houses that were essential in the building of these tunnels, which is when the planning for construction began.

However, the plans for the new tunnels began earlier when there was a discussion for the city of Winona to build a tunnel on Huff Street, but it was for cars rather than pedestrians. There are no passes for cars or pedestrians in Winona, and Winona State wanted to ensure safety for those who were crossing the train tracks from campus to other parts of the city.

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“Our priority is to get students, employees, staff and other members of the city to get across the tracks safely,” Ellinghuysen said.

There are two tunnels that connect campus to the other side of the railroad tracks. One is between Haake and Kirkland residence halls and the other is near Maxwell Field, to ensure fans can get to sporting events safely.

While the structures of the tunnels are complete, there are still several items for the tunnels that need to be finished to open them to the public.

Lisa Pearson, the arboretum director and interim director of facilities planning and construction, stated that waterproofing of the tunnels, final tunnel interior wall painting, concrete walking surface, lighting installation within the tunnels, installation of handrails and security camera installation along ramps and tunnels need to be finished before allowing

students to use them.

“We hope to complete all of these [items above] this fall, so the ramps and tunnels can be open before winter,” Pearson said.

“Our priority is to get students, employees, staff and other members of the city across the tracks safely.”

-Scott Ellinghuysen Vice President of Finance and Administration and the Chief Financial Officer

Once opened, the tunnels will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and will be monitored by security. Not only will there be

security cameras in the tunnels, but the tunnels will be checked daily by security guards while on their campus rounds to ensure safety within the tunnels.

The pedestrian tunnels still have work that needs to be done before they can be opened to the public, but those who have been working on this project hope to have it finished within the upcoming months.

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SECURITY INCIDENTS

8:15 p.m.: Laundry was stolen in the Prentiss-Lucas Hall laundry room.

1:04 a.m.: Drug law Violation occurred in Lourdes Hall. The Incident was referred to Residence Life.

3:45 p.m.: A bible was stolen in the Science Laboratory Center.

11:45 a.m.: Drug law violation occurred in Morey Hall. The Incident was referred to Residence Life.

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Winona State moves towards sustainability



In a small garden behind the IT building, across from the Quad members of the community are welcome to any of the vegetables there. Winona State helps fund sustainability projects like this by adding a small green fee to the tuition.

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Every student at Winona State University has a five-dollar fee attached to tuition called the green fee. This fee is used to fund a variety of sustainability projects on campus, like the new recycling containers found near buildings, water bottles for first year students, the SEED garden and a variety of other projects that result from students receiving a grant to better the Winona State campus.

Jeanne Franz, a chemistry professor and director of sustainability studies, reported that

Student Senate created this fee in 2006. Some of the students on the senate were “champions” in advocating for a sustainable campus.

“[The students] imposed this fee upon themselves,” Franz said.

The students realized that the university was restrained by a budget back in 2006. The students became advocates for sustainable projects to make the Winona State campus more sustainable.

Each year, during fall semester, students, faculty and staff can apply for a grant through

the green fee. The sustainability committee then votes on which projects get approved and move forward in making these ideas a reality.

“We [the sustainability committee] don’t want to seem like this gate that is really hard to open. We are also advisors to people who are considering applying,” Franz said.

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Franz also said that the committee wants to approve as many projects as possible and will help applicants in order to get those projects approved.

One project funded through the green fee was SEED Garden. Jackson Ramsland, a public health major, was the creator of this proposal. The garden is a community where students and community members can pick vegetables if they need it.

Nathan Engstrom, sustainability director, explained that you do not need to be a part of a club or organization to use the SEED Garden.

"You don't have to be part of a group, you don't have to make an appointment, just if anyone has a need feel free to stop by and pick what you need," Engstrom said. "Spend some time to water plants or weed the garden."

He continued in stating that it is up to a community member's own discretion as to participate in the garden or not.

For those who wish to visit the garden, it is located behind the information technology building and Central Lutheran Church. The IT building is located behind the Quad.

Another project that the Sustainability Committee approved last year was giving out free water bottles to first-year students. The

idea behind this project was to reduce the waste caused by disposable water bottles, but Engstrom said that habit building was also a large goal of this project.

"We [the sustainability committee] don't want to seem like this gate that is really hard to open. We are also advisors to people who are considering applying"

-Jeanne Franz, chemistry professor and director of sustainability studies

"It's something that you got from the beginning, you start to get in the habit of taking it around with you and using it all the time. So, once you get into that habit, those habits tend to continue," Engstrom said.

The committee put together a competition with the water bottles to encourage these habits. In the first-year orientation classes, they keep track of their usage for the previous week. The class that has the most usage by percentage wins a pizza party at the end of the semester.

To apply for grants such as these you can go to the Sustainability page on the Winona State website. Franz encourages people to apply as soon as possible because once the funds run out they are done approving grants for the year.

Interested applicants should contact Jeanne Franz or Nathan Engstrom.

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Beyond Our Borders: An International and Intercultural Exchange

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Location: Somsen Business Engagement Center
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T
Aug. 31

Warriors For the Kids First Meeting

Time: 6 p.m.
Location: Minné Hall - 237
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Sept. 1

MN Lynx vs. Chicago Sky: Lyceum Series

Time: 7 p.m.
Place: Xcel Energy Center
Contact: UPAC
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Sept. 2

Farmers Market

Time: 7 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Place: Midtown food parking lot
Contact: Bryan Crigler
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Sept. 3

Fulbright Student Program Information Session

Time: 3 p.m.
Place: Kryzsko Commons, 252
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Sept. 4

Labor Day

No Classes

T
Sept. 5

Swell: Painting by Beau Carey

Time: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Place: Watkins Art Gallery
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Community gathers on campus for eclipse *Geoscience students and faculty organize solar eclipse viewing*

Crowds of students, faculty and community members flocked to the Winona State University campus as a solar eclipse made an appearance over the United States.

Professor Jennifer Anderson orchestrated an event sponsored by the geoscience department where students and community members could congregate on campus to view the solar eclipse together on Monday, Aug. 21.

"I like public events and I was thinking we should do something on campus," Anderson said.

The odds of seeing a total solar eclipse are rare since they only happen over a small portion of the Earth's surface. There was only a small area from Oregon to South Carolina where people could see the disc of the Moon cover the entire disc of the Sun.

Students and community members of Winona, along with most of the United States, were able to view a partial eclipse this year.

Anderson ordered the eclipse glasses back in May and was slowly preparing throughout the summer before finally getting everything into motion two weeks before the eclipse.

"I was really happy how, on the first day, many faculty said they had let their students out at some point," Anderson said.

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Using a colander, Winona citizens view the effects of the solar eclipse, which make the sunlight shining through the holes look like small crescents. Sunlight through binoculars shined onto a large piece of paper and through the leaves of the trees also casted crescents around campus during the solar eclipse.

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Knowing there was a safe way to look at the Sun without incurring severe retinal damage, Anderson had a team of people willing to help out with telescopes, binocular projections and handing out glasses.

The team of volunteers included faculty from the Winona State math and statistics, geoscience and physics departments.

An astrophysics professor from Saint Mary's University, a middle school geology teacher from Bluffview Montessori School and a high school geology teacher from Plainview Elgin-Millville were also in attendance.

"My husband, who is also a planetary geologist and an astrophysicist, took a day off of work so he was here to help," Anderson said. "I had about 10 students who are a part of the Astronomy club helping out."

All of the volunteers arrived at 10 a.m., in preparation of the 1:09 p.m. ideal eclipse viewing time, to make sure everything worked out well and everyone was safe.

The volunteers also had meter sticks that set a scale measuring the distance between the earth and the moon to teach people more about solar eclipses.

When the Moon passes directly between the Earth and the Sun, the Moon's shadow falls on Earth.

"There are about two-to-three solar and lunar eclipses a year, but the total solar eclipses, like the one on Monday, only happens about [every] 18 months," Anderson said.

The next solar eclipse will be April 8, 2024. It will start down in Texas, move through the United States and leave North America north of Maine.

The solar eclipse allowed scientists to view the cornea of the Sun, which was only seen in select cities in Oregon, Idaho, Wyoming, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina.

"The main part of the sun where you are getting your photons and the light from was completely blocked, which means you then saw this big halo of flames which is the sun's atmosphere called the cornea. The only time that is visible is during the solar eclipse," Anderson said.



The cornea of the Sun can only be seen during the totality of a solar eclipse when the moon completely blocks the Sun. The path of totality (seen above) marks the geographic locations where viewers can see the cornea of the sun. The totality of the solar eclipse on Aug. 21 was seen in ten different states from 10:17 a.m. PT to 2:47 p.m. ET.

The solar eclipse brought the Winona State campus together by having everyone stand outside, talking about how Earth, the Moon and the Sun are completely in line with each other.

"And to think that we as human beings figured out the orbits of the earth around the sun and the moon around the earth, and we know it so well that we can predict it within seconds when the shadow is going to fall on us and we did all that with math and science and our brains," Anderson said.

Winona State seniors Sara Tryggestad and Lindsey Brezinski took time out of their day to help Anderson with the event.

"It is really cool that they are offering this. It offers students a chance to look at the sun in a safe and educational way," Tryggestad said.

Brezinski was able to draw on her previous academic experiences to help out with the event.

"I took the astronomy course here and that sparked my interest in watching the solar eclipse," Brezinski said.

Not only college students and faculty participated in the viewing, but community members from Winona, Rochester and La Crosse also came to Winona State University's campus.

"I was so overwhelmed with how many people we had on campus. That was the biggest event I have ever tried to have and it was way bigger than what I thought it was going to be," Anderson said. "These types of things are best done in big groups so the vibe on campus was great. Everyone was so excited and that is what it is meant to be. It was wildly beyond my dreams."

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Changing the name of the Smaug has been on the campus backburner for some time now, according to Reed.

"If it was named after a person, we wouldn't touch it because that would be disrespectful," Reed said. "I was standing with the architects and everyone else involved with the renovation, gathered around the blueprints, when it just clicked. The timing was perfect for a new name."

Zane graduated from Winona State with a degree in business education in 1964. He also lettered nine times from sports: four in baseball, one in wrestling and four in football.

"Zane was a Winona State alumni, a hall of

famer in three sports [and] he was the Grand Marshal at the homecoming parade. Charlie was a legend around here," Reed said.

Zane returned to Winona State in 1966, serving as a faculty member in various departments before working as Student Union Director from 1972 to 1997. Even after retirement, he remained active at Winona State's Retiree Center.

"He had a great smile, and everyone knew him," librarian and archivist Russ Dennison said.

Zane passed away on Easter Sunday this year after a short battle with cancer, ten days shy of his 80th birthday.

To rename the Smaug, Reed had to get approval from Chartwells, the executive board of Student Senate, the Food Service Committee and the

Cabinet and Alumni Association. Everyone agreed it should be Zane's.

Reed even asked Marlys Zane, Zane's widow, for her blessing. Marlys, a retired schoolteacher, met Charlie at Winona State.

"She starts crying and says, 'Oh my god, Joe, he would be honored,'" Reed said.

Zane's has come a long way since Kryzsko Commons opened in 1965. The Smaug opened in 1946 in Ogden Hall and was called the Student Exchange. In 1954, the Exchange was moved to the old gym in Somsen Hall.

The Smaug received its name from when smoking was allowed on campus. The Student Exchange was extremely smoky and was originally nicknamed the Smog.

Once Kryzsko Commons opened, the Smog was moved there and the name changed to "Smaug" in 1986, according to Dennison.

Smoking on campus was allowed until the 1990s. Students and professors could smoke in class, flick their ashes and ground their cigarette butts out on the floor.

During the tobacco faze out period, Kafe Kryzsko, which was originally three rooms, had one room designated for smokers while the other two were for Student Senate, Dennison said. Kryzsko Commons is the most renovated building on campus, according to Dennison, because student interests are always changing.

The hardwood floors and stage in the Student Activity Center used to be six bowling lanes that stretched into the space currently occupied by the Student Senate and Greek Organization offices. Next to the bowling alley was a student game room filled with ping pong tables, pool tables and more.



The new seating arrangement set up across from Zane's, formerly known as the Smaug, in Kryzsko Commons has now opened for the new school year.

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Students wait in line at Monds Subs on Friday in the new Zane's food area. Construction is still in process in the back of the room, as the finishing touches are added to Panda Express, which will open Sept. 20.

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Bowling was hugely popular in the 1960s and massive amounts of Americans would bowl in leagues or clubs, Dennison said. Then in the late 70s and early 80s, students paid more attention to video games.

"The bowling alley and game room were ghost towns after video games became popular and the campus became a laptop university," Reed said. "Students were not out shooting pool, or air hockey, they had their computers."

Another past renovation is the solarium, which used to be a parking lot and then a patio where

people would grill burgers and hot dogs on nice days, Dennison said.

"My goal was an all season porch, but we had to lock the doors in the winter—because it was too difficult to shovel and the snow was too much—and unlock it once the snow melted," Reed said. "But in the summer, it was too hot down there. There was no breeze, and the bees were awful."

Kryzsko Commons has been an evolving building, changing with the times and with student interests. Zane's renovation is not the first of its kind and it will not be the last. But Charlie Zane

will be memorialized in an area on campus where he contributed immensely.

"Charlie was my boss for eight and a half years. He was me for 30 years," Reed recalled. "Charlie was larger than life. Everyone loved and adored him. He was my mentor. He told me what to do, what not to do and now I am trying to follow in those big footsteps."

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Way back Winonan: On this day in 2006

Moving stress not always caused from heavy lifting 1,600 freshmen and their parents raided campus last week

Sarah Brecht
WINONAN

Winona State University residence halls officially opened their doors for move-in day on Tuesday as approximately 1,619 freshmen toting mountains of duffle bags and boxes entered their new homes away from home.

On the surface, move-in day may seem like nothing more than a chaotic right of passage for first-year students, littered with boxes, mini-fridges, sweating fathers and weeping mothers, but at its core, this hectic day is much more.

Simply described by Lourdes Hall Director Sarah Olcott, move-in day is the day that someone's child is "not only going to college—it's the day they are moving away from home."

According to Housing Director Paula Scheevel, the goal of move-in day is two-fold: concentrating on helping students go through the process of getting keys, identification and their room assignments, as well as making them feel as comfortable as possible about separating from their parents.

The first year students' separation from parents, friends and the familiar is the emotional catalyst of the day, evoking a myriad of reactions which may give off unfavorable impressions.

Sure enough, at any given time there is the usual "Mom! Will you quit arranging my stuff!" or "My daughter's



Anna Ligoeki/WINONAN

Members of the Freshman move-in crew directed traffic and helped hundreds of dorm residents unload and assemble in.

room is way too small; the room we saw on the tour was much bigger!"

However, Scheevel strongly suggests that her residence staff try to disregard any rudeness from the students as well as from their parents, who are dealing with a challenging separation of their own.

"Move-in day is a highly emotionally charged day," said Scheevel. "And I would never encourage staff to base opinions of residents on move-in day behavior."

Kellen Gullifor, a sophomore nursing major and Lourdes resident assistant

agrees, "I have to admit, kids that are not nice to their parents or authority figures are hard to give respect to, but then I just think that maybe they had a lot of fun at home with their friends and didn't want the summer to end—that is probably a lot of the reason they act up."

While complaints about room size, loft malfunctions and lack of air conditioning are about as common on move-in day as cardboard boxes, the emotions at the heart of these gripes are what intrigue Olcott the most.

"It's always interesting to see the gamut of emotions, because on this day, the family

dynamic is really changing," Olcott said.

She added, "Even if this isn't the first child to go away to college, it is a completely different person and a completely different effect on the family, so it is always challenging."

In many cases, according to Olcott, the parents are more on edge and disagreeable than the residents.

Olcott said, "A lot of this changing dynamic is conveyed in stress and even anger, but you've just got to understand that it is the mama or papa bear instinct coming out from a parent who just wants to protect their child."

Overall both Scheevel and Olcott dubbed this year's move-in day a success, and in most cases, so did the new arrivals.

Despite forgetting a few important things like sufficient sleep the night before, cable cords, bottled water, posters and bread to go with their peanut butter and jelly,

freshmen biology majors Missy Kach of Richards Hall and Abbi Miller of Lourdes Hall described their move-in day as a pleasant experience.

"The welcome crew and the RA's were really helpful telling us where to go and where we could park, unload and things like that," said Kach.

"I just can't believe I'm here," said Miller. "I feel like I'm in summer camp—it's just surreal."

Meeting and greeting as many as 60 young men and women with whom they will be strongly involved, the resident assistants also had a daunting day as they began their roles as bridges between a large, potentially intimidating college atmosphere, and the wide-eyed freshmen in front of them.

The welcome crew, a volunteer group characterized by Scheevel as "students who want to help people feel good about being here," was headed this year by East Lake Hall Director Candice Slaby. It consisted of approximately 30 faculty and staff members, 85 students and four clubs, fraternities and sororities who were responsible for directing traffic, moving luggage and greeting residents at each residence hall.

Concluding almost as quickly as it approached, move-in day seems to have dissolved into scattered remains of overflowed garbage dumpsters and heightened weekend sales at the local Target and Wal-Mart, but the emotional adaptations which began on Tuesday are definitely still evolving.

As this year's freshmen continue to adjust to the new world around them, the responsibility lies both within themselves and within the returning student body to help them discover and enjoy their new school and new home to the fullest extent possible.



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Film in review: 'The Emoji Movie'

In my time as a film critic, I've reviewed dozens of films ranging from modern masterpieces to misfires. I don't always enjoy them, but every film typically has some semblance of value for someone out there. "The Emoji Movie" is different. There's nothing. It goes beyond just being a bad movie and managed to make me actively sick to my stomach. If anything, the film proves that god is dead, cinema is dead, capitalism was a mistake and most importantly, The Winonan's editing staff is a group of sadistic monsters who only want their critics to suffer.

"The Emoji Movie" is a 90-minute exercise in banality and cinematic torture, based around the always intriguing theme of "being yourself." Set in a smartphone, the film follows a meh emoji, voiced by T.J. Miller, who has a tough time being meh. Apparently, it's against the rules of the fascist phone overlords for any emoji to feel any emotion other than what they were raised to be, and due to meh's magical ability of being able to emote, he's sentenced to death. Of course, instead of trying to change society or make it so he can fit in, he chooses to go on a journey through the phone accompanied by a disembodied hand and a walking misogynist trope to try and fix himself by hacking the emotions right out of him.

If that sounds entertaining to you, then honestly, you might need a therapy session or two. There isn't a single moment in the film that feels developed in any sense of the word. In fact, the film makes sure to squash any semblance of sanity or developed characters by devolving to non



The Winonan's film reporter rates this film 0/5 poop emojis

sensical tropes, poop jokes and veiled backwards commentary on a hyper modern civilization. It's like Pixar's "Inside Out," except it's the cheap knock off you'd find in the two dollar movie bin during a blockbuster close out.

Throughout the film, the trio of haphazard heroes travels through a multitude of *gorgeous* and *inventive* locales like Spotify, Candy Crush and Dropbox. If you thought product placement was bad before, the film proves that there is no such thing as reaching too low.

"Advertising? Nah, let's just base the whole film around commercialism. That will get the kids excited," the director said, probably.

Turns out, they weren't entirely wrong. If the screams and cries of five-year-old movie goers during my screening were any indication, Sony succeeded in getting the young folks riled up.

What's particularly frightening about the film is that, despite having a production time of three years, nobody came out and said, "Dude, this is an awful idea." They had to have gone through multiple scripts, casting, production, years of animation and promotion, and yet still nobody came out and just admitted that the entire project is a waste of time.

Sony spent \$50 million to get this film off the

ground and honestly that money would be better suited to burning (even with the accompanying jail time) than making a film this completely misguided. It'll make money, yes, but that's only because kids movies will never not turn a profit. Even so, parents should realize that just because something is branded as a kids movie doesn't mean it's actually for kids. In reality, the only difference between "The Emoji Movie" and something like "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" is the former will likely scar children for life.

I will admit, however, that "The Emoji Movie," will be discussed and analyzed for decades to come. The film is simultaneously a harbinger of the apocalypse, a monument to commercialism and a turning point for cinema toward the medium's twilight years. It's a perfect torture tool for families to punish their children or editors to punish their writers (this is about me missing the first budget meeting, isn't it, Liv). In the end, "The Emoji Movie" was an unforgettable experience. In fact, it may end up causing me to give up cinema forever, or at least until my eyes stop bleeding. 0/5

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Winona State welcomes game day experience

For decades, tailgating has existed on college campuses as the go-to option before a sporting event. Winona State University's first home football game on Thursday, Aug. 31 will bring this tradition to an end with the New Warrior Game Day Experience.

The Experience, originally brought to fruition by Warrior football alumni, was first mentioned to Vice President Ron Dempsey earlier this year, with Tracy Hale, associate director of alumni relations, taking the reins.

"There's not enough time in the day to talk about all the processes that went into putting these changes into effect," Hale said. "The main thing was just thinking about the end result we wanted, then working our way backwards."

According to Hale, the New Experience is going to be a "complete 180" from previous tailgating experiences, and will provide a "fun, safe and exciting environment for both students and the community."

For each of the five home football games this year, Winona State is hoping to invite both students and members of the community to be involved in the "hype" that comes before stepping onto the field.

Beginning two hours before each home football game, the New Experience will include activities for all members of the Winona community. For students, there will be 20 student organizations tabling prior to each game, promoting their clubs and joining in on the activities, as well as two inflatables designed for college-aged students. For younger kids, there will be the Junior Warrior Zone, complete with smaller bounce houses and games.

All of these will be lined up alongside various food trucks, live music and the entertainment of Leighton Broadcasting and HBCI Broadcasting out of Winona.

Along with all the vendors and games, 65 minutes prior to the start of the game, the Warrior



Winona State University introduces the "New Warrior Game Day Experience." The new fan experience will replace the tradition of tailgating, and open the door for campus clubs to participate.

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Walk will take place down Johnson Street, where the coaches, team, cheer and dance team take to the field.

"We wanted more of a 'Big 10' game day experience," Hale said. "Even though you may not be on the team, you can still be a part of the excitement."

Hale stated that the road to the New Experience was a fun process, and that it was unique to collaborate with so many departments on campus.

"Going into this first event, I'm excited, and not nervous at all," Hale said.

The first New Experience takes place from 4-6 p.m. Aug. 31 at intersection of Johnson and Mark streets when the Winona State Warriors take on Bemidji State University.



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Fall 2017 season features

Football

The Winona State University takes on Wayne State College on Saturday, Oct. 10 at 2 p.m. as Winona State's homecoming football game. This will also be the first match of the season against another NSIC team.

The football team takes on Augustana University, another NSIC team, on Winona State football's Senior Day, Thursday, Nov. 9.

Cross Country

Men's and women's cross country take on the rest of the NSIC in their championship meets, both held on Oct. 21 at 11 a.m. in Moorhead, Minn.

Soccer

The Winona State soccer team will play its first NSIC home game on Thursday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m.

Golf

Winona State students will have the opportunity to watch the women's golf team at home the weekend of Sept. 16 and 17. The women will play in the Warrior Invite, starting at 9 a.m. each day.

Men's golf will compete in the JR Watkins Invite on Monday, Sept. 25 and Tuesday, Sept 26 at 9 a.m. both days. The invite will be held in Lake City, Minn.

Volleyball

The Winona State volleyball team will play its first NSIC home game on Saturday, Sept. 16 at 4 p.m.

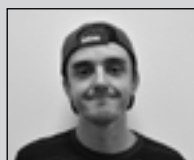
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Performing arts meets athletics at auditions

Winona State University's Theatre and Dance Department held Dancescape 2018 auditions this past Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 28 and 29. Dancescape is Winona State's annual dance performance with choreography by faculty, students, and guest artists and will be performed February 15-17, 2018.

This will be the department's 28th annual showcase of dancers, and every year it is one of the major productions of the theatre and dance department. No act has ever been replicated, so every year they perform brand new dances.

Piecing the show together starts in August with open auditions being held. Dances are then worked, choreographed and methodically broken up to display the feeling a choreographer desires to elicit in the crowd. When second semester rolls around, the dancers begin tech rehearsals. During this time, performers are in the theater almost every night for a week before the show begins.

Every year, the department encourages people of all dance levels in the community to come and audition.

Senior Ella Dierberger auditioned with very lit-

"Being consistently involved in Dancescape and dance society over the years has helped me shape my dancing abilities and become more confident on stage."

-Ella Dierberger, senior dancer

tle to no dance experience when she first arrived in Winona her freshman year. She did not let her lack of experience discourage her from trying something new and she encourages others to do the same.

"Being consistently involved in Dancescape and dance society over the years has helped me shape my dancing abilities and become more confident on stage," Dierberger said. "Everyone is very welcoming and you are surrounded by people of all skill levels, so I would not let a lack of dance knowledge discourage you from coming."

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NSIC 2017 preseason coaches' polls

As the fall sports season opens, the coaches of the NSIC voted to rank their individual sports. The following are the first four rankings of each NSIC fall sport in which Winona State University competes. In any category where Winona State was voted fifth or below, the teams ranked closest are displayed.

The only Winona State team voted first in the preseason poll was the Men's Golf team. According to the NSIC Media Relations, the team received five first place votes, racking in a total of 77 points. Coaches cannot vote for their own teams.

The lowest ranked Winona State Team was the women's soccer team, as 94 points tallied was not enough to compete. The top ranked women's soccer team was Minnesota State University Mankato, with a total of 217 points, and 11 first place votes.

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Men's Golf

1. Winona State University
2. Minnesota State University, Mankato
3. Minot State University
4. St. Cloud State University

Football

4. Augustana University
5. University of Sioux Falls
6. Winona State University
7. Minnesota State University, Moorhead

Men's Cross Country

6. Minnesota State
7. Concordia – St. Paul
8. Winona State University
9. Northern State University

Women's Cross Country

1. University of Mary
2. University of Minnesota, Duluth
3. Augustana University
4. Winona State University

Women's Golf

1. Augustana University
2. Minnesota State University, Mankato
3. Concordia University, St. Paul
4. Winona State University

Soccer

8. Concordia University, St. Paul
9. Upper Iowa University
10. Winona State University
11. Wayne State University

Volleyball

2. Southwest Minnesota State
3. University of Minnesota, Duluth
4. Augustana University
5. Winona State University

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Sports schedule this week...

	Wednesday, Aug. 30	Thursday, Aug. 31	Friday, Sept. 1	Saturday, Sept. 2	Sunday, Sept. 3	Monday, Sept. 4	Tuesday, Sept. 5
Football		Bemidji State University, 6 p.m.					
Cross Country			@Augustana University, 8:30 p. m.				
Soccer			Michigan Technological University, 7 p.m.	Northern Michigan University, 12 p.m.			

* Home games in bold

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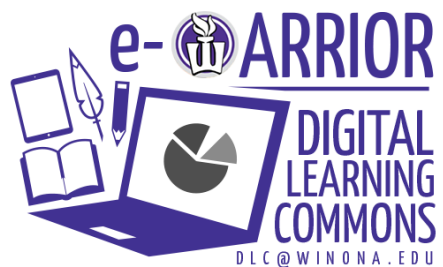
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